

HUBERT H. HUMPHREY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM 2014-2015

Program Description: The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program is a Fulbright program that brings accomplished young and mid-career professionals with demonstrated leadership potential to the United States for a year of non-degree graduate-level study, leadership development, and professional enrichment. By providing future leaders and policy makers with experience in U.S. society, culture, and professional fields, the program provides a basis for lasting, productive ties between Americans and their professional counterparts overseas. Fellows are nominated by embassies (through public affairs sections) based on potential for leadership and commitment to public service.

Humphrey Fellows cannot transfer from non-degree status to degree status under any circumstances.. There is no provision for Fellows to request placement at any particular university.

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Program Components: a) Academic: The Humphrey program is classified as a non-degree program by the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS). Humphrey Fellows pursue tailored study programs at participating host institutions, where the freedom from the requirements of a degree program gives each Fellow the flexibility to pursue a self-directed, individualized program. There is no provision for Fellows to request placement at any particular university. Approximately 18 campuses have been selected through a competitive process to host Fellows in groups with thematic and subject affinities. Each university is chosen based on

institutional resources and the level of support and guidance it offers to the participants. Each campus has a designated faculty coordinator for academic and administrative support. In addition, faculty advisors also assist Fellows in pursuing balanced academic and professional programs. b) Professional: Professional enrichment activities include professional visits, conferences, training programs, and a professional affiliation (work attachment). The professional affiliation provides first-hand exposure to an American work environment on a full-time basis for a minimum period of 6 weeks. Early in the academic year, each Fellow develops, with assistance from the local campus coordinator and faculty advisors, a detailed plan for practical professional activities carefully geared to the Fellow's Humphrey program objectives.

FIELDS

Sustainable Development

- a. Agricultural and Rural Development,
- b. Economic Development/Finance and Banking
- c. Natural Resources, Environmental Policy, and Climate Change
- d. Urban and Regional Planning

Democratic Institution Building

- a. Communications/Journalism
- b. Law and Human Rights
- c. Public Policy Analysis and Public Administration
- d. Trafficking in Persons Policy and Prevention
- e. Technology Policy and Management
- f. Human Resource Management Education

Education

- a. Educational Administration, Planning and Policy
- b. Higher Education Administration
- c. Teaching of English as a Foreign Language

Public Health

- a. Public Health Policy and Management
- b. HIV/AIDS Policy and Prevention
- c. Substance Abuse Education, Prevention, and Treatment

(NOTE: ECA cooperates with the National Institute on Drug Abuse, which provides co-funding, to work with Humphrey Fellows in this field of study. Candidates must have either a research background in the field or demonstrated ability to learn the results and policy implications of current research. The candidates should be recruited and ranked together with candidates in

other fields, and must complete the supplementary field- specific page of the Humphrey application for this topic area.)

Selection: Appropriate candidates are young and mid-career professionals in leadership positions who have a commitment to public service and the potential for professional advancement. Prospective Fellows should have a minimum of five years full-time professional experience (prior to August 2014) in the relevant field, after completing a university degree, and should be interested in the policy aspects of their field of specialization. Please note that candidates must have completed a university degree program requiring at least four years of full-time study to qualify for participation in U.S. graduate study programs.

Candidates should be proficient in both written and spoken English and should normally have a minimum TOEFL score of 525 (paper based) or 71 (internet-based), although exceptionally promising candidates with lower scores may be nominated for the Long-Term English (LTE) training. Candidates should have both the need to participate in the program and the potential to benefit from it. Accordingly, they should demonstrate the required experience, skills, and commitment while also indicating how they can benefit from this program in ways that they have not experienced previously and are not likely to experience without the Humphrey Program. Applicants with distinguished records but who do not have a compelling need for the Humphrey experience are not appropriate candidates.

Embark Information

Embark Website for Applicants (available April 1): https://apply.embark.com/student/humphrey/fellowship/

❖ Social Media

The Humphrey Program is on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>YouTube</u> and <u>LinkedIn</u>. Interested applicants can interact with current Fellows and alumni, and learn more about the program through our semi-weekly posts on <u>Facebook</u>. Access our <u>YouTube page</u> to see videos of Fellows and alumni discussing their Humphrey Programs. Candidates can join <u>LinkedIn</u> to participate in field-specific discussions with Fellows and alumni.

